

# NEWS FROM ED MARKEY

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## **BUSH INTELLIGENCE PANEL REPORT WILL BE TOO LATE TO MATTER**

**WASHINGTON, DC** - Representative Edward Markey (D-MA), a senior member of the Select Committee on Homeland Security, released the following statement regarding President Bush's appointment of a panel to examine Intelligence on Iraq weapons of mass destruction:

"The Bush Administration gave the UN weapons inspectors only five months to look for weapons of mass destruction in Iraq before they sent American troops to Baghdad. This new panel should only have five months to make a report to the American people before they go to the polls. Before November's elections, the American people have a right to know how and why President Bush and his national security team took our nation to war. If flawed or manipulated intelligence was used to send our troops to war, the Bush Administration must face the consequences. It would be an historic failure to allow this panel to deliver their report four months after it is useful to the American people."

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